

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Regular Business Meeting
7:00 P.M.

January 10, 2012

POST SUMMARY MINUTES

PRESENT: Chairman Eldrin Bell, Vice-Chairman Wole Ralph, Commissioner Sonna Singleton, Commissioner Michael Edmondson, Commissioner Gail Hambrick, and Clerk Shelby D. Haywood.

1. Chairman Bell called the meeting to order.
2. Invocation was led by Chaplain Sandy Mitchell of the Clayton County Sheriff's Office. Pledge of allegiance to the flag was led by Chairman Bell.
3. Amended the agenda by adding an appointment to fill the unexpired term of Warren Gerton/**Resigned** on the Zoning Advisory Group Board. This term will expire on August 19, 2012. The agenda was adopted, as amended, as all commissioners had copies before them. Clerk Haywood noted that the Executive Session held tonight pertained to litigation and personnel matters. Vote unanimous.
4. Approved the January 3, 2012 Regular Business Meeting minutes. Vote unanimous.
5. Angela Jackson, Director of Finance, presented the following items to the Board which resulted in these actions. (NOTE: The Board voted on all of these items at once.)
 - 1) Approved Budget Amendment #2-15/Other General Government/FYE 6-30-12, in the amount of \$13,486.00, to appropriate revenue collected from the sale of salvage vehicles to pay the invoices related to the sale. Vote unanimous.
 - 2) Approved Budget Amendment #2-16/Other County Government/FYE 6-30-12, in the amount of \$17,800.00, to transfer funds to replace a van for Building and Maintenance where the repair cost exceeds the value of the vehicle. Vote unanimous.
 - 3) Approved Budget Amendment #4-25/Fund 307 – Reimposition SPLOST Projects/FYE 6-30-12, in the amount of \$578,360.00, to establish a consulting fee budget for Moreland Altobelli Associates, Inc. engineering services per Board approval on November 8, 2011. Vote unanimous.
6. Renee Bright, Director of Human Resources, submitted one (1) item for Board consideration which resulted in the following action:
 - 1) Approved a request from Mary Byrd, Senior Services Director, to eliminate the full-time Center Maintenance position at the Frank Bailey and J. Charley Griswell Senior Centers and create a full-time Special Programs Coordinator position at each Senior Center. Both positions are a Pay Grade 12, Step 1. Vote unanimous.

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The Special Programs Coordinator position will be utilized to coordinate the revenue generating classes and trips for the facility. Additionally, this position will obtain various certifications in order to conduct classes within the senior centers to generate additional revenue for the facility.

These two (2) new Special Programs Coordinator positions will have a salary of \$25,101.74; Pay Grade 12, Step 1. The Center Maintenance staff will be offered the opportunity to apply for a part-time maintenance position. There is no financial impact on the budget.

7. Approved Resolution 2012-05 providing for the designation of persons authorized to sign checks on the bank accounts of Clayton County; to authorize the Clerk to furnish the depositories of Clayton County public funds with a copy of this resolution together with the required specimen signatures; pursuant to Section 2-9 of the Code of Clayton County; to authorize the Chairman, and in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, together with the Director of Finance to sign checks, drafts, or other orders on the bank accounts of Clayton County which are under the control of the Board of Commissioners. Vote unanimous.

8. Approved Resolution 2012-06 providing for the designation of four (4) persons within the District Attorney's Office authorized to sign checks for the Witness Transportation Arrangements on a bank account of Clayton County; to authorize the Clerk to furnish the depositories of Clayton County public funds with a copy of this resolution together with the required specimen signatures. Vote unanimous.

9. Approved Resolution 2012-07 prescribing the depositories of public funds for Clayton County for the upcoming year pursuant to the Georgia Laws (1966 at page 3055) and the Code of Clayton County, Section 2-8 and, on the authority of the Finance Director, to provide those depositories and copies of this resolution in a safe depository (as was done in the previous year). Vote unanimous.

10. Approved Resolution 2012-08 providing for the authorization of the Director of Finance to deposit Clayton County funds into the local government investment pool; to authorize the Chairman and the Finance Director to execute any document necessary to carry out the intent of this resolution; to provide an effective date for this resolution; and for other purposes. Vote unanimous.

11. Approved Resolution 2012-09 authorizing Clayton County, on behalf of the Aviation Unit of the Clayton County Police Department, to enter into an Agreement with the United States Department

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of the Navy approved and coordinated through the Law Enforcement Support Office of Excess Property Program, Georgia Department of Public Safety, for a surplus fuel truck in full operating condition; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution. Vote unanimous.

12. Approved Resolution 2012-10 authorizing Clayton County to grant a Special Facility Use request by The Tutor Lab to provide S.A.T. and A.C.T. preparation classes at the Virginia Burton Gray and Jim Huie/Steve Lundquist Recreation Centers; to authorize the Chairman to execute any documents necessary, and otherwise perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution; to authorize the Finance Director to amend the budget where necessary to reflect an appropriate revenue source and expense, all as may be required. Vote unanimous.

13. Approved Resolution 2012-11 authorizing Clayton County to allow the Courtney S. Crooms Foundation, Inc. to sponsor and host the Fifth Annual Courtney S. Crooms Memorial Girls Basketball Tournament at the Carl Rhodenizer and Virginia Burton Gray Recreation Centers; to authorize the Chairman to perform all acts necessary to accomplish the intent of this resolution, etc. Vote unanimous.

14. Approved Resolution 2012-12 providing for the establishment and publication of qualifying fees for each county office to be filled in the upcoming Primary and General Election; to provide an effective date of this resolution; and for other purposes. Pursuant to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131, it is the duty of the governing authority to fix and publish a qualifying fee for each county office by February 1st of each year. The fees are calculated pursuant to statute and outlined in this resolution. Vote unanimous.

15. Approved Resolution 2012-13 authorizing Clayton County to enter into an Agreement with Six Flags Over Georgia on behalf of the Clayton County Human Resources Department providing for the terms and conditions under which Six Flags Over Georgia park admission tickets will be provided to the county on a consignment basis; to authorize the Chairman to execute the agreement on behalf of the county and otherwise to perform all other acts necessary to accomplish the intent of the resolution. Vote unanimous.

16. Approved the reappointments of Gbenga Osagie and Lori Favre to the Civil Service Board. Their terms expired on 12/31/11. New terms are for three (3) years; expiring on 12/31/14. Vote unanimous.

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17. Approved the appointment of K.C. Watts to the Zoning Advisory Group Board to fill the unexpired term of Warren Gerton/**Resigned**. The term will expire on August 19, 2012. Vote unanimous.

Interim County Attorney Jack Hancock requested an Executive Session to discuss litigation and personnel matters following the Regular Business Meeting. The Board generally consented to do so.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Carl Swenson, a county resident, alerted the Board about ballot challenges across the nation, particularly for the Presidential Primary coming up in March 2012. Those three (3) challenges are Barack Obama, Mitt Romney, and Rick Santorum. Per Mr. Swenson, the Board of Elections is responsible for getting constitutionally eligible and qualified candidates on the Clayton County ballot. He requested a written response from the Board to assure the citizens that all three (3) candidates are qualified and that all necessary paperwork will be submitted to ensure that they are qualified to be on the ballot. For the record, Chairman Bell stated that Mr. Swenson's comments were duly noted.

2. Dale Millican, a county resident, noted that this was the third time he had appeared before the Board requesting help concerning the commercialization of property located on McDonough and Panhandle Roads. Mr. Millican stated that the first two (2) times he made his request, he was told he would receive a phone call and a response from a county staff member. So far, he has heard nothing. He pleaded with the Board for assistance in this matter because no one is representing his community. Presently, he and his neighbors are thinking about abandoning their homes to live elsewhere because they believe that the building of a gas station in the community will wipe them out. Chairman Bell informed Mr. Millican that the County Manager is currently working with the Legal Office on issues related to this matter. He advised Mr. Millican to confer with the County Manager and/or Interim County Attorney following the meeting regarding this matter.

3. Wayne Madden, a Rivers Edge Subdivision resident, suggested that those commissioners remaining after the election this year consider presenting a proclamation next year to recognize the Martin Luther King, Jr. national holiday. He believed it was worth celebrating and that the Board should publicly acknowledge it.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to go into Executive Session in the Commissioners' Conference Room at 7:16 p.m. Vote unanimous.

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Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to go out of Executive Session at 7:39 p.m. Vote unanimous.

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Hambrick, to reconvene the Regular Business Meeting in the Commissioners' Boardroom at 7:40 p.m. Vote unanimous.

18. Clerk Haywood alerted the Board that County Manager Wade Starr wished to present some "requests to fill" (based on prior Board discussion/decision in the Executive Session).

County Manager Wade Starr then presented the following "requests to fill" for Board approval:

1. One (1) Equipment Operator I – Transportation and Development
2. One (1) Deputy Clerk – Clerk of State Court
3. One (1) Part-time Office Assistant – Corrections/Refuse Control
4. One (1) Full-time Administrative Coordinator – Senior Services
5. One (1) Part-time Desktop Support Specialist (new category) – Information Technology
6. One (1) Full-time Library Technical Supervisor – Technical Services/Library
7. One (1) Part-time Lifeguard – Parks and Recreation
8. One (1) Tag/Title Technician – Tax Commissioner's Office
9. One (1) Animal Control Officer – Police Department

Mr. Starr's presentation of these "requests to fill" resulted in the following motion:

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to approve the aforementioned "requests to fill" positions. Vote unanimous.

Mr. Starr additionally asked the Board to consider the appointment of Theodis Locke as Provisional Director of Central Services, and to authorize him and the Chairman to process the transfer of Risk Management (excluding Employee Benefits) into Central Services. This action would essentially create the Director of Central Services and Risk Management. The following motion ensued:

Motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to approve the aforementioned appointment/transfer requests. Vote unanimous.

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There being no further business to discuss, motion by Vice-Chairman Ralph, second by Commissioner Singleton, to adjourn the Regular Business Meeting of January 10, 2012 at 7:42 p.m. Vote unanimous.